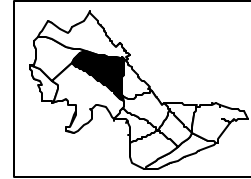


NEIGHBORHOOD 9

PEABODY



BOUNDARIES: bordered by the B&M Railroad, Concord Avenue, Garden Street, and Massachusetts Avenue

POPULATION: 11,169 residents
5,208 households

AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME:
\$36,608

Neighborhood #9 is encompassed by Car 5 (2 officers) and Car 9R (1 officer). It also includes walking routes 9A, 9B, 9C, and 9D.

2001 SECOND QUARTER REVIEW

Peabody **Housebreaks** fell 35%, with only 11 reported for the entire area. Most (63%) took place Wednesday-Friday, and nearly all occurred in either March or June. The C.P.D. succeeded in arresting a 37-yr-old man of South Boston, after an attempted break into an apartment on 6/22. A witness spotted the arrestee on Huron Ave, trying to break into a window that was later found cut. • Nearly all **auto thefts** (80%) occurred prior to 5/11; most were in January & February. As the year progressed, auto theft activity cooled down tremendously, with only 1 reported incident throughout the month of June. Peabody auto thefts seem to have hovered around Walden Square Rd. and 245-253 Garden Street. Varied autos were stolen, with Toyotas most frequently targeted. • **Street robberies** were cut in half, with only 2 events reported. One involved 2 acquaintances, and the second was part of an early March series that traversed 2 neighborhoods (Peabody & Agassiz). The unknown robber (described as a male in his 30's, brandishing a silver handgun) approached persons walking alone after 8 pm. • Two overnight **larceny from motor vehicle** patterns emerged during the month of June, with 6 autos parked along 18-70 Mount Vernon St. targeted mainly for their stereos. For these particular crimes, entrance had been gained via broken windows. Another series took place from 26-38 Kelley Rd., on 6/1-6/2, when a suspect entered 4 separate autos (by an unknown manner) and removed belongings within view: cash, coins, and a CD player.

Comparison of Target Crime Statistics

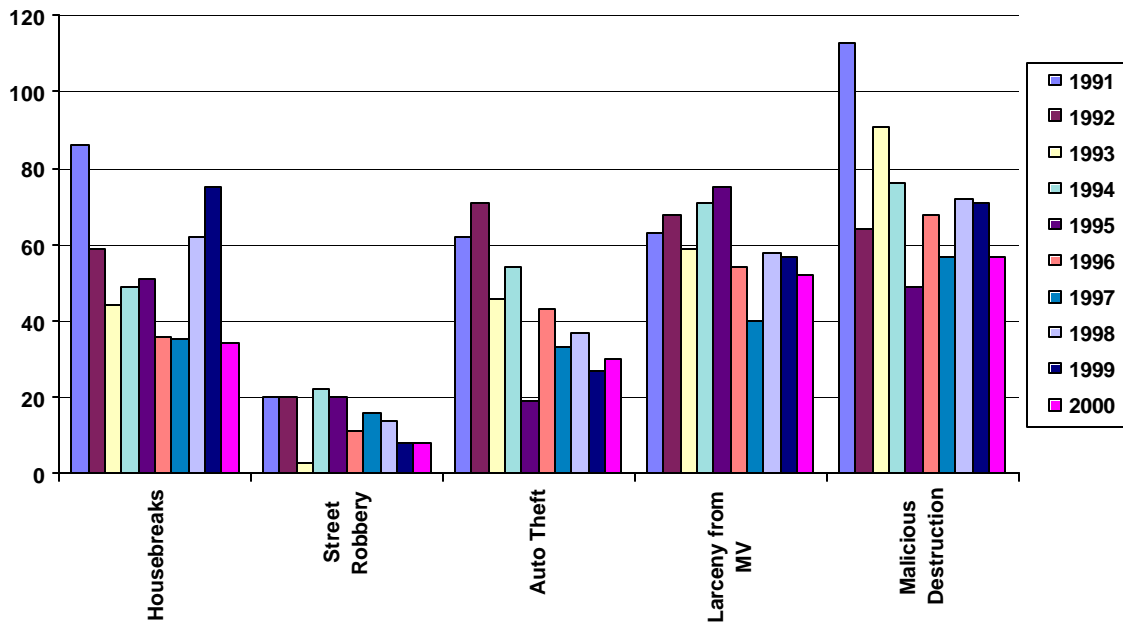
2nd Quarter 2000 & 2001

CRIME	2nd Q 2000	2nd Q 2001	% CHANGE
Housebreaks	17	11	-35
Street Robbery	4	2	-50
Auto Theft	18	20	+11
Larceny from MVs	28	36	+29
Malicious Destruction	28	55	+96
Drug Arrests	3	6	+100

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILE AND HISTORICAL SYNOPSIS

Peabody has the second highest population in the city, yet most of its crimes are at or below the city's average. The neighborhood's residents include several large apartment complexes, a public housing development (Lincoln Way) and hundreds of single and double family houses. Peabody boasts two of the biggest public parks in the city: Cambridge Common and Danehy Park. Also contained within its borders are Radcliffe College. Large commercial establishments mark Massachusetts Avenue and Walden Square Road.

- Cambridge Common has traditionally experienced after-dark crimes ranging from **public drinking** and **drug use** to **robbery** to **sexual assault**. Increased preventive patrol has diminished such occurrences in recent years.
- Summer **housebreak** patterns sometimes plague Richdale Avenue and Upland Road. This year, clusters returned to that region, though the crime has radically declined in other sections of the neighborhood.
- **Auto theft** and **larceny from motor vehicles**, though low in this neighborhood, show concentrations on Richdale Avenue and in the triangle formed by Massachusetts Avenue, Upland Road, and Avon Street.
- Drug activity and juvenile crime have long been concerns in the Walden Square area. The Narcotics and Juvenile Units began targeting these areas in 1993 and have almost eliminated the patterns.



ANNUAL AVERAGE FOR PEABODY AREA TARGET CRIMES					
Crime	1981-1990	Rank 81-90*	1991-2000	Rank 91-00*	Rank 2000*
Housebreaks	150	3	53	5	5
Street Robbery	21	6	14	8	8
Auto Theft	94	8	43	7	8
Larceny from MVs	74	8	60	7	6
Malicious Destruction	135	2	73	9	9

*Ranks are out of 13 neighborhoods, with 1 indicating the highest crime rate and 13 the lowest